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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BARNES et al.

Serial No.: 09/532,722

Filed: March 22, 2000

For: Multifiber Connector, Installation Tool
and Associated Method of Validating
Optical Fiber Continuity

Art Unit: 2874

Examiner: N/A

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PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), and in response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed September 11, 2001, Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to revive the above-identified patent application. The application became abandoned for failure to file a signed Oath or Declaration and pay the fee within the statutory period of two (2) months from the mailing date of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application.

This petition is accompanied by:

- (1) The required reply, which consists of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, the signed Declaration and the late filing fee in the amount of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e);
- (2) The petition fee in the amount of \$1300 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m); and

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- (3) The statement required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(3) that the entire delay in filing the required reply (i.e., copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application and signed Declaration/Power of Attorney) from the due date of the reply (i.e., July 24, 2000) until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) was unintentional.
- (4) Because the application was filed after June 8, 1995, this petition is not accompanied by any terminal disclaimer and fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(d).

A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application and the signed Declaration/Power of Attorney of all of the named inventors is attached for filing concurrently herewith. The entire delay in filing the copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application and signed Declaration/Power of Attorney from July 24, 2000 until the filing of this grantable petition was unintentional. Authorization is hereby given to charge the late filing fee (oath or declaration surcharge) of \$130 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) and the petition fee of \$1300 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m) to Deposit Account No. 19-2167. If there are any other fees due in connection with this filing not accounted for, the Commissioner is further authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 19-2167.

Applicants note that the Notice of Abandonment was erroneously mailed to Michael J. Keenan at Nixon & Vanderhye P C, of Arlington, Virginia and not to the correspondence address provided in the unsigned Declaration/Power of Attorney filed with the application. To the best of Applicants knowledge, a change of correspondence address has not been entered in this application and the correspondence address for the attorney responsible for this application remains:

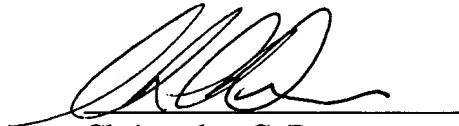
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Accordingly, Applicants request the Commissioner to correct the Patent Office records to reflect the correspondence address provided in the Declaration/Power of Attorney. If necessary, this petition may further be considered to be a Change of Correspondence Address pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(d).

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) to revive this unintentionally abandoned application have been complied with and, thus, respectfully request the Commissioner to grant this petition and to pass the application to examination.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/532,722	03/22/2000	Brandon A Barnes	HE0096

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Date Mailed: 05/24/2000

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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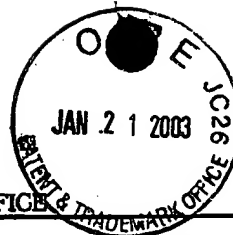
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ABANDONMENT/TERMINATION
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Date Mailed: 09/11/2001

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

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The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 05/24/2000.

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- No reply was received.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to "Office of Petitions" at (703) 305-9282.

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Applicant(s): BARNES et al.

**SUBMISSION of
MISSING PARTS**

Serial No.: 09/532,722

Group Art Unit: 2874

Filing Date: March 22, 2000

Examiner: N/A

Title: MULTIFIBER CONNECTOR,
INSTALLATION TOOL AND
ASSOCIATED METHOD OF
VALIDATING OPTICAL FIBER
CONTINUITY

**SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS & SURCHARGE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) AND C.F.R. 1.16(e)**

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Filed herewith are:

- ☐ Assignment
- ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney
- ☐ PTO Form 1449
- ☒ Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Transmittal
- ☐ OTHER:

Corning Cable Systems LLC hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge payment of \$130.00 fee associated with this application or credit any overpayment to Corning Cable Systems LLC Deposit Account 19-2167. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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